

## OREGON BERRIES

Total utilized production of all berry crops grown in Oregon during 2000 was 164.0 million pounds. That was a 4 percent increase from the 1999 total but 4.3 percent less than 1998. The total utilized value was \$83 million, down 8 percent from 1999 and down 1 percent from the 1998 crop. All caneberry production was 70.2 million pounds, up 11 percent from the previous year. The total value of these crops were down 19 percent from 1999 to \$38.3 million. Caneberry acreage harvested increased by 3 percent to 11,720 acres. All blackberry acres harvested totaled 6,140, up 5 percent from 1999. Production of all blackberries was up 14 percent from the previous year to 44.9 million pounds. The value of all blackberries was down 21 percent from 1999 to \$21.4 million.

Strawberries remained the largest volume berry crop in the state with production of 35.3 million pounds in 2000, 15 percent below the previous year. The value of the strawberry crop came to \$17.5 million, 18 percent below

the 1999 crop. Marion blackberries were Oregon's second largest berry crop with 31.5 million pounds of utilized production in 2000, up 25 percent from 1999. Value of production was down 16 percent to \$15.6 million.

Cranberries ranked third with production of 30.5 million pounds, holding steady from the previous year. The crop's total value at \$5.8 million, was up 58 percent from 1999. Blueberries were the fourth largest berry crop in Oregon with 28 million pound production, up 24 percent from 1999. Value of production increased 20 percent to \$21.5 million. The price per pound decreased from 79.7 cents per pound in 1999 to 76.8 cents per pound in 2000.

Red raspberries remained fifth in production at 14.5 million pounds, up 6 percent from 1999. Value of the crop was \$7.7 million, down 20 percent from the prior year. Evergreen blackberry production of 9.9 million pounds was 6 percent less than a year earlier. Value of production was \$4.1 million 27 percent below the 1999 crop.

**Berry crops: Percent of total value of utilized production, by crop  
Oregon 2000**

